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Appl. No.: 09/924,946

Applicant: Mark J. EVANS et al.

G.A.U.: 1652

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Examiner: Yong D. Pak

Title **A Novel Member of the Lysyl Oxidase Gene Family**

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 30, 2004, please consider the following amendment and remarks. This Response and Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for one month's Extension of Time up to and including May 30, 2004, Petition to Correct Inventorship Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a) and its accompanying papers (Declaration of Eric Beer, Supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney, Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

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and Consent of Assignee, fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i), petition pursuant to § 1.183, fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h), and proof of unavailability of inventor Jianxiong Zhang (Exhibits A-G)), Declaration of Mark J. Evans, Marshall S. Scicchitano, Ashok R. Bapat, Ramesh A. Bhat, Robert Mastroeni, and Sotirios K. Karathanasis under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 and its accompanying Exhibit 1, PAIR report (Tab 1), and Petition to Correct Inventorship Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) and its fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

It is believed that no other fees other than the petition fee for one month's extension of time, two petition fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) and the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) is required for these submissions. However, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine that any other fee(s) is due or that any refund is owed for this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge the required fee(s) and/or credit the refund(s) owed to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

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